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 For : ELECTRONIC TRADING SYSTEM FOR
 SIMULATING THE TRADING OF CARBON
 DIOXIDE EQUIVALENT EMISSION
 REDUCTIONS AND METHODS OF USE
 Group Art Unit : 3624
 Examiner : Kelly Scaggs Campen

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
 applicants hereby make the following documents of record
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The aforementioned references are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08 (submitted in duplicate).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of the above U.S. patent documents are not provided. Copies of

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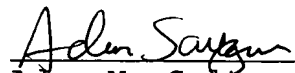
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Applicants also wish to call the attention of the Examiner to Raines et al. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/116,229, filed April 28, 2005. A copy of this application is enclosed herewith. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial "All references have been considered" on the last page of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08 to indicate that this reference was considered in accordance with MPEP §§ 609 III.C(2).

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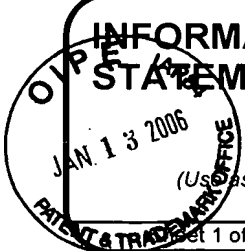
Consideration of the foregoing in relation to
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